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SUBJECT: DRAFTING GROUP MEETING, AUGUST 28, 1975 (SALT TWO-752)

1. ARTICLE VII, TEST, TRAINING AND SPACE LAUNCHERS). SOVIETS REITERATED THEIR DESIRE TO INCLUDE SPECIFIC EXEMPTION FOR SPACE LAUNCHERS FROM AGGREGATE LIMITATION AND TO AVOID CIRCUMVENTION OF AGREEMENT BY MEANS OF SUCH LAUNCHERS. TAKING THESE FACTORS INTO ACCOUNT AND IN RESPONSE TO U.S. CRITICISM DIRECTED AT SPECIFYING LOCATION OF SUCH SPACE LAUNCHERS, SOVIETS TABLED NEW TEXT WHICH IN PARAGRAPH 1 EXEMPTS FROM AGGREGATE LIMITATION "SPACE VEHICLE LAUNCHERS FOR EXPLORATION AND USE OF OUTER SPACE" AND PROVIDES IN SUBPARA.2(C) "THERE SHALL BE NO CONVERSION OF SPACE VEHICLE LAUNCHERS INTO LAND-BASED ICBM LAUNCHERS." U.S. UNDERTOOK TO STUDY SOVIET PROPOSAL.

2. ARTICLE VI.2(C). (BOMBERS EQUIPPED FOR ASBMS). THE SOVIETS AGREED TO DROP "TO BE", SO THAT BOTH ENGLISH AND RUSSIAN TEXTS READ "BOMBER EQUIPPED FOR."

3. ARTICLE IV.7/4 (NORMAL PRACTICES). THE U.S. PROPOSED AN AGREED STATEMENT TO REFLECT THE UNDERSTANDING THAT CURRENT PRACTICES WITH  
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RESPECT TO CERTAIN OLDER SOFT ICBM LAUNCHERS COULD BE CONTINUED

BUT NOT EXTENDED TO OTHER ICBM SYSTEMS. SOVIETS WILL CONSIDER IT.

4. JDT. AS AGREED AT THE LAST MEETING, THE SIDES EXCHANGED NEW PAGES OF THE JDT FOR THE PREAMBLE AND ARTICLES III AND VI. BOTH SIDES AGREED TO TRY TO ARRIVE AT AN APPROPRIATELY BRACKETED VERSION OF ARTICLE XVIII FOR THE JDT. JOHNSON

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